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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed on December 23, 2008, the statutorily shortened reply period for which ends on March 23, 2009. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.